

December 1, 1983

Non Coal
Memo To-~~Coal~~ File:

RE: Drilling Postponement
Geokinetics Inc.
ACT/047/019
Uintah County, Utah

On November 30, 1983, Mr. William Sharrer of Geokinetics Corp, called the Division to request an extension of time until early next spring to complete the planned drilling of four shallow alluvial wells on the property. Presently, heavy snowfall in the area has precluded the successful completion of the drilling project. These four wells are part of an extensive ground-water monitoring program being implemented as part of the company's planned expansion of retorting operations. The alluvial wells proposed locations are in the north eastern section of Geokinetics property holdings. Mr. Sharrer stated that a soil pit has been excavated in the general area which penetrated the alluvium down to bedrock. Alluvial thickness to bedrock was approximately twelve (12) feet and no shallow ground water was encountered.

Mr. Sharrer also asked whether the Division would accept results of water analyses performed by their on site analytical laboratory. I informed him that as long as standard laboratory methods were practiced and state of the art analytical equipment used by qualified technicians, then the Division probably would not have any major objections. Mr. Sharrer stated that split samples would periodically be analyzed by a registered laboratory. Verbal concurrence was granted by the office to postpone continued drilling until more favorable conditions exist next spring.

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